NOTE: Ambulances should only be hired if the incident is in such a remote location that local EMS, an area medical helicopter is not available or reliance on local ambulance service would create a hardship to that service. Ambulances will be under hire for incident use only and will be required to be available during off-shift hours if needed for emergency transport. No additional compensation will be allowed for this availability. 2:1 work/rest guidelines will be maintained.

TYPE	RATE	TYPE	MINIMUM PERSONNEL		RATES
Ambulance (ALS)	Unoper	ated	2 – (1) ALS and (1)		\$56.00/Hour exclusive
			BLS		of personnel
Ambulance (BLS)	Unoper	ated	(2) BLS		\$51.00/Hour exclusive
					of personnel
ALS Kit					\$215/day
BLS Kit					\$150/day
Patient Transport		Mileage Rate \$1.25/mile		normal DHS transport rate	

For ALS/BLS kits with less than 8 hours in the day, the rate would be reduced to half of the posted daily rate.

## **Equipment**

The resource order must specify whether ordering an ALS or BLS ambulance, or an ALS or BLS Kit. Equipment shall be stored in a manner that makes it easily transportable by helicopter.

## Personnel

All personnel must complete the annual Fire Line Safety Refresher.

**Medical Transport:** When the ambulance is mobilized to transport a patient the hourly rate is dropped to \$0.00 and the ambulance reverts to their normal DHS billing procedures for the medical incident however the mileage rate would be \$1.25/mile. Medical transport shall be documented on the shift ticket. A copy of the transport paperwork showing the incident name and E# of the resource shall be turned in with the shift ticket to Finance (if available) or the District Office for documentation purposes. If no patient care or transport occurs, the ambulance will be paid the hourly rate for the time worked.

Ambulances are to be contracted wet (fuel provided by the resource).

Additional personnel may be ordered at the discretion of the incident managers. Additional personnel will be necessary for incidents that require coverage for more than 16 hours per day (night shift) and must be documented on the recourse order. When ordering ambulances, consideration should be made for providing adequate work/rest ratios.